

LET'S TALK ABOUT HOPE

INTRODUCTION

We serve the God of Hope but yet not much is talked about this godly hope in our Christian circles as one would expect, it being not noised abroad or trumpeted as other subjects like love and faith are. This ought not to be. But if we are made aware and given an in depth understanding of whom we truly are as new creatures in Christ Jesus the case would have been different concerning hope.

Adam was created with a spirit and given a command by God from his creation. He was formed as a living soul and put to the test in the garden before the confirmation of that which was commanded and promised him at the beginning was to be made. God gave Adam a hope from the beginning but Adam's fall brought about a punishment that needed to be served before the hope could be restored unto us that believe in the name of the last Adam. Adam failed to enter into that hope in his time.

What hope is as defined in the dictionary – “The belief or expectation that something wished for can or will happen”; “the virtuous desire for future good”.

Our God is a promise making and a covenant keeping God and everyone that is involved in such a relationship with Him receives an assured and guaranteed hope thereof. By his grace we shall be looking into the issues concerning “hope” as obtained in the new covenant that we have with God through Christ Jesus, His Son. What exactly is it all about and how are we associated with it?

There is true hope and there is a false hope. True hope is based on our belief in the word of truth that we have in Christ Jesus that shall come to pass, while a false hope is based on a lie meant to deceive unto damnation. Our concern in this literature is on true hope, which is our hope. Generally, hope is meant to be of a positive, joyous, glorious nature whether being presented in deception as false or held in truth. True hope is found in the truth only and everyone that comes to believe in the truth ought to have it within them.

Without our having a definitive understanding of our hope in Christ we cannot really be said to be freed from the bondage of ignorance wherein we were held as unbelievers. A true Believer in Christ ought to be able to defend the hope that he has within him at anytime and anywhere

with concise understanding and explanation to anyone that asketh him. Unfortunately, many today do not know the hope of their high calling in Christ Jesus due to the workings of the erroneous doctrines they hold dear according to the ministrations of their “trusted” Ministers of the People (MOPs) of the Churches as organization/business (CAO) and slothfully do not study the words of Christ diligently to have it richly dwelling in them. **2 Tim 2:15; 2 Pet 2:10-22**

I Pet 3:13-16 (Vr.15 But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear:

THE ORIGIN OF HOPE

Hope is an expectation of a future happening based on a word of promise given to a man having a divine destiny. God created Man and made pronouncement over him by which he was to live in conjunction with the other creations of His in the world that they were to inhabit. In that pronouncement, which is the word of faith, is contained hope given to Man by God from the very beginning. How?

Gen 1:26-29 (Vr.28 And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth. **Vr.29** And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat.

Before Adam was to enter into this hope in the world in order to dominate and subdue he was meant to receive eternal life (the hope promised by God) and the kingdom by reason of obeying the commandment of God in righteousness in the trial of the Garden of Eden; for true hope is for the righteous and not for the sinner. The tree of life in the midst of the garden held the hope of eternal living for Adam but his focus was diverted from eating of the fruit thereof unto being overcome by sin.

Gen 2:9, 15-18 (Vr.9 And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil. **Vr.16** And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat:

Gen 3:22-24 (Vr.22 And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever:

Titus 1:1-3 (Vr.1 Paul, a servant of God, and an apostle of Jesus Christ, according to the faith of God's elect, and the acknowledging of the truth which is after godliness; **Vr.2** In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began;

Mtt 25:31-40 (Vr.34 Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world:

Unfortunately, Adam failed in the trial at the Garden of Eden and was taken captive by sin due to transgression unto hopelessness. Yet God in His infinite mercy made provision for the restoration of Man unto this eternal hope through the slaying of the Lamb of God meant to be manifest in the fullness of time of which we that truly believe on him are made partakers of in this last days.

Rev 13: 8 And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

I Pet 1:17-25 (Vr.18 Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; **Vr.19** But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot: **Vr.20** Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you, **Vr.21** Who by him do believe in God, that raised him up from the dead, and gave him glory; that your faith and hope might be in God.

Adam was created with a spirit and formed as a living soul in hope, but fell into hopelessness as flesh and blood in the sinful world. But whosoever believes in the name of Jesus Christ shall be reconciled unto God in righteousness and shall be given the hope of eternal life in the kingdom obtainable at the last day. The soul that sinneth shall die and has not this hope rather it is the righteous soul that does and shall live. This original hope that Adam failed to enter into for all mankind the last Adam has and shall carrying us into the fulfillment of this hope as from his appearing to reign for a thousand years and beyond as it were. **I Cor 15:20-28**

Rom 6: 22 But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end everlasting life. **Vr.23** For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Rev 2:7 To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.

OUR HOPE IS BASED ON GODLY PROMISES

Hope is for the righteous and is based on a promise made as contained in the word of faith that God gives a man in His covenant relationship with him. Without receiving a promise you cannot be said to have hope. The promise is of faith, so without faith you cannot have hope. Faith precedes hope.

Eph 2:11-13 (Vr.12) That at that time ye were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without God in the world:

Hebr 11: 1 Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. **Vr.17** By faith Abraham, when he was tried, offered up Isaac: and he that had received the promises offered up his only begotten son,

Rom 4: 13-21 (Vr.13) For the promise, that he should be the heir of the world, was not to Abraham, or to his seed, through the law, but through the righteousness of faith. **Vr.14** For if they which are of the law be heirs, faith is made void, and the promise made of none effect: **Vr.16** Therefore it is of faith, that it might be by grace; to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed; not to that only which is of the law, but to that also which is of the faith of Abraham; who is the father of us all, **Vr.18** Who against hope believed in hope, that he might become the father of many nations; according to that which was spoken, So shall thy seed be. **Vr.19** And being not weak in faith, he considered not his own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sarah's womb: **Vr.20** He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God; **Vr.21** And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform.

Without receiving the Promise of the Father that His Son died to give, you cannot be said to have true hope. We are God's children by reason of His promise to Abraham through the seed, Jesus Christ by which all the families of the earth are to be blessed. Anyone that God makes a promise to have a hope and that hope comes to pass when God fulfills that promise at His appointed time. **Lk 24:48-49; Acts 2:32-33**

We are the children of promise and therefore live by the promises of Christ in hope unto his appearing on the last day when this promise of our inheritance in Christ shall be fulfilled. Christ is coming and will appear only unto those that are expecting His return and it is the Holy Spirit in such persons that keeps the ember of the fire of this expectation (hope) burning, aglow and alive continually.

Acts 26: 6 And now I stand and am judged for the hope of the promise made of God unto our fathers: **Vr.7** Unto which promise our twelve tribes, instantly serving God day and night, hope to come. For which hope's sake, king Agrippa, I am accused of the Jews. **Vr.8** Why should it be thought a thing incredible with you, that God should raise the dead?

The Holy Ghost is the promised gift of God that Christ came to give unto us that truly believes by which we receive the Hope of eternal life within us as it were; without receiving the promised gift in this world you cannot receive the promised reward and inheritance at the end in the world to come and therefore you cannot be said to have true hope as a Believer.

HOPE IS IN THE REALM OF THE PROPHETIC

Hope is of the spiritual, an expectation that shall not be cut off but is meant to be fulfilled at a determined time. When a hope is received, fulfilled or actualized it is no longer a hope and ceases to be in the realm of the prophetic. Prophecies that are yet to be fulfilled are sources of hope unto those to whom they are prophesied concerning and not to those outside of it.

Lk 4:16-22 (Vr.18) The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, **Vr.19** To preach the acceptable year of the Lord. **Vr.20** And he closed the book, and he gave it again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him. **Vr.21** And he began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears [*Old Testament hope fulfilled*].

We are found in hope by faith. Faith is given and received, while hope is an expectation given that is yet to be seen or received but shall come to pass in the future.

Hebr 11: 1 Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.

Rom 8:24 For we are saved by hope: but hope that is seen is not hope: for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for? **Vr.25** But if we hope for that we see not, then do we with patience wait for it.

Things hoped for that are not yet seen are in the spiritual and are yet to be made manifest in the physical as it were. Nothing takes place in the physical until it happens in the spiritual with God; for God is a Spirit and whatsoever He does He does in the spiritual first before manifesting such in the physical at the fullness of time for men to behold.

The first advent of Christ was prophesied during the time of old by the prophets from the beginning of the world and was a hope unto the fathers of old. That hope was fulfilled during the time of the last prophet of the Old Testament, John the Baptist in which era Jesus the Christ was made manifest and the hope of his coming was fulfilled according to the prophecies of Scriptures. **Mtt 11:10-13; Gen 3:15; Isa 7:14; Lk 1:67-75; Jn 4:25-26; Lk 2:25-32; Jn 1:29-34**

So to the New Testament saints, the first coming of the Lord Jesus is no longer a hope nor a prophecy having been fulfilled, rather it is hope in his second advent from the last day and the world to come that is. They that keep the commandment of God and truly understand the testimonies of Jesus Christ earnestly hope on his appearing and the fulfillment of his promises contained therein which shall be made manifest as from that day in our lives. The testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy for us New Testament saints. As for now in the present we walk by faith accessing grace in the power of God unto that day as it were. Every one that has this hope purifies himself in order to be counted worthy to partake of it. **Rev 19:10; Lk 20:35-36; I Jn 1:1-3**

1 Pet 1:1-9 (Vr.3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope [*How?*] by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead [*our faith*], **Vr.4** To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you [*our hope*], **Vr.5** Who are kept [*presently*] by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. **Vr.7** That the trial of your faith, ..., might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ [*which we hope for*]: **Vr.8** Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory: **Vr.9** Receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls. **Vr.10** Of which salvation the prophets have enquired and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace that should come unto you: **Vr.13** Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and hope to the end for the grace that is to be brought unto you at the revelation of Jesus Christ;

Rom 5:1-2 (Vr.2 By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

We are begotten unto a lively hope by the faith of Jesus Christ, his resurrection from the dead and because he lives so shall we also rise from the dead and live on the last day that is our hope. The end of our faith in this world ushers us into the manifestation of our hope in the world to come. We live by faith in this world with a hope, but in the world to come our hope shall materialize and we shall begin to live by it from thence; for now it is but a hope, a prophetic expectation. **Rom 6:8-10**

PRESENTLY WE LIVE BY FAITH IN HOPE

One of the greatest ignorance that is found amongst the CAO adherents by reason of the doctrines wherein they are taught is the interchanging of the understanding of our faith with our hope. How? the CAO MOPs preach hope as faith and faith as hope unto propagating the another gospel in subtlety as it were. And until the Believer is able to extricate himself from the web of such entanglement he shall continue in the path of error misinterpreting the Scriptures and the gospel of Christ to his own detriment at the end. We shall by his grace make clear distinctions between faith and hope in order for us to know how to walk in truth in the knowledge of Christ unto salvation.

We have in Christ Jesus, the hope to come. This hope is found in the New Testament promises made unto us by God through Christ our Lord, of which Christ is the firstfruit thereof by reason of his resurrection from the dead and ascension unto glory in the heavens. Unfortunately, many are made to still be clinging unto the Old Testament promises that God made unto the natural children of Israel of which He had fulfilled, as their own fresh prophecies and hopes for today under the new covenant ignorantly.

I Cor 15:12-34 (Vr.12 Now if Christ be preached that he rose from the dead [*that is the word of faith we preach*], how say some among you that there is no resurrection of the dead [*which is our hope*]? **Vr.13** But if there be no resurrection of the dead [*our hope*], then is Christ not risen [*our faith*]: **Vr.14** And if Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain. **Vr.15** Yea, and we are found false witnesses of God [*for our gospel is rooted on our witness of God having raised up Christ from the dead*]; because we have testified of God [*in the gospel*] that he raised up Christ: whom he raised not up, if so be that the dead rise not. **Vr.16** For if the dead rise not, then is not Christ raised: **Vr.17** And if Christ be not raised, your faith is vain; ye are yet in your sins. **Vr.18** Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished [*without hope any longer*]. **Vr.19** If in this life only we have hope in Christ [*that is but an earthly nature*], we are of all men most miserable [*being without an heavenly hope*]. **Vr.20** But now is Christ risen from the dead [*which is the faith that we profess*], and become the firstfruits of them that slept [*as an evidence/proof of true resurrection*]. **Vr.22** For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive [*our hope is predicated on this*]. **Vr.23** But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's [*when?*] at his coming [*that is our hope in Christ*]. **Vr.34** Awake to righteousness, and sin not; for some have not the knowledge of God: I speak this to your shame.

That is why all those that truly believe in Christ who are living by that faith in him are eagerly and patiently waiting for the fulfillment of this hope. Currently, we live by faith, having received the firstfruits of the Spirit in baptism within us by which we walk, live and are led in the hope of

our glorification at the first resurrection, when we must have overcome and endured till the end. **Jam 5:7-8; Titus 2:11-13**

Rom 8:22 For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. **Vr.23** And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body [*our hope*]. **Vr.24** For we are saved by hope: but hope that is seen is not hope: for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for? [*but the CAO MOPs teach that presently by faith we call that hope from the unseen realm of the future into being now in the seen realm of the present, the NOW, but this is an erroneous doctrine that they propagate*] **Vr.25** But if we hope for that we see not, then do we with patience wait for it [*in the NOW in order to see and partake of it in the world to come at the appointed time*]. **Vr.18** For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. **Vr.19** For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the [*true*] sons of God [*When? At the resurrection from the dead at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ on the last day*]. **Vr.15** For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father [*as the image children of God presently what we have is the Spirit of adoption within us, while we wait for the true adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body*]. **Vr.16** The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: **Vr.17** And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him [*in the present/NOW by faith*], that we may be also glorified together [*with him also at our own resurrection from the dead*].

2 Cor 4:5-18 (Vr.13 We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak; **Vr.14** Knowing that he which raised up the Lord Jesus [*our faith*] shall raise up us also by Jesus [*our hope*], and shall present us with you [*his promise*]. **Vr.16** For which [*hope*] cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish [*presently*], yet the inward man is renewed day by day. **Vr.17** For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory; **Vr.18** While we look not at the things which are seen [*even as the CAO continually focus men upon such presently*], but at the things which are not seen [*our hope*]: for the things which are seen are temporal [*carnal*]; but the things which are not seen are eternal [*spiritual*].

Phil 3:7-14,15-17,18-19,20-21 (Vr.9 And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith: **Vr.10** That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings [*which we are undergoing by faith presently*], being made conformable unto his death; **Vr.11** If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead [*our hope- which we look forward to*]. **Vr.12** Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect

[*since it is currently a hope*]: but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus. **Vr.13** Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, **Vr.14** I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. **Vr.15** Let us therefore, as many as be perfect, be thus minded: and if in any thing ye be otherwise minded, God shall reveal even this unto you. **Vr.20** For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ [*our hope, our expectation*]: **Vr.21** Who shall change our vile body [*which we operate in by faith currently*], that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body [*which we hope to put on in the future*],

Colo 1:23 If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled, and be not moved away from the hope of the gospel, which ye have heard, and which was preached to every creature which is under heaven;

I Pet 1: 3-7 (Vr.3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, **Vr.4** To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you, **Vr.5** Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. **Vr.6** Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations: **Vr.7** That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:

THE PROOF OF OUR HOPE IS OUR FAITH

Our confidence in hope is as a result of the existence of our faith. So without the coming of faith there would be no expectation of hope to come. Our faith is the substance and evidence of our hope which is yet unseen for now. **Hebr 11:1**

Jn 14: 19 Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live [*that is our faith*], ye shall live also [*that is our hope*].

Lk 20: 35 But they which shall be accounted worthy to obtain that world, and the resurrection from the dead [*this is our hope in Christ*] **Vr.36** Neither can they die any more [*obtaining eternal life thereby*]: for they are equal unto the angels; and are the [*true*] children of God, being the children of the resurrection [*hope fulfilled*].

Jn 5:28 Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, **Vr.29** And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of

life [*the hope of the righteous*]; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation. **Vr.24** Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life [*How?*], and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life [*our hope- when Death shall be swallowed up in victory – I Cor 15:5*].

Jn 6:40 And this is the will of him that sent me, that every one which seeth the [*glorified*] Son [*by faith presently*], and believeth on him, may have everlasting life: and I will raise him up at the last day [*that is our hope*].

Our faith is rooted/predicated/based on the fact, reality, proof and witness that God raised Jesus Christ from the death unto life (**Rom 6:9-10**), while our hope is rooted on God's ability and promise to raise us up by Jesus Christ also on the last day unto glory and life by Christ Jesus. This is the basis of the gospel of Christ the gospel of the Goodnews, the gospel of consolation which we preach.

I Cor 15:12 Now if Christ be preached that he rose from the dead [*that is the word of faith we preach*], how say some among you that there is no resurrection of the dead [*which is our hope*]? **Vr.13** But if there be no resurrection of the dead [*our hope*], then is Christ not risen [*our faith*]: **Vr.14** And if Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain. **Vr.15** Yea, and we are found false witnesses of God [*for our gospel is rooted on our witness of God having raised up Christ from the dead*]; because we have testified of God [*in the gospel*] that he raised up Christ: whom he raised not up, if so be that the dead rise not. **Vr.16** For if the dead rise not, then is not Christ raised: **Vr.17** And if Christ be not raised, your faith is vain; ye are yet in your sins. **Vr.18** Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished [*without hope any longer*]. **Vr.19** If in this life only we have hope in Christ [*that is but an earthly nature*], we are of all men most miserable [*being without an heavenly hope*]. **Vr.20** But now is Christ risen from the dead [*which is the faith that we profess*], and become the firstfruits of them that slept [*as an evidence/proof of true resurrection*]. **Vr.22** For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive [*our hope is predicated on this*]. **Vr.23** But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's [*when?*] at his coming [*that is our hope in Christ*].

Our faith is based on a fulfilled promise – the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Our Hope is based on a promise yet to be fulfilled – our own death and resurrection in Christ Jesus unto everlasting life. Our Hope is based on our faith. Faith comes before Hope. Without the coming of faith there could not have been any hope, Christ in you the hope of glory. Faith is the basis by which hope exists. In Christ the author and finisher of our faith we have hope. Christ gives us hope in this world by his gospel, a gospel of hope and consolation. **Gal 3:22-27; Hebr 12:2; Colo 1:27; Lk 4:18-19**

Jn 14:1-4 (Vr.2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. **Vr.3** And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

Rom 10:8-9 (Vr.8 But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the word of faith, which we preach; **Vr.9** That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead [*our faith*], thou shalt be saved [*our hope*].

Acts 17:30-32 (Vr.31 Because he hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained; whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead [*our faith*].

Faith is an assurance, guarantee that God hath given unto us concerning His promises to us, which is our Hope and this have all those that have received the Spirit of faith in them through baptism.

THE EXAMPLE OF HOPE THAT CHRIST SHOWED US

Jesus Christ our Lord from heaven showed us how to live by faith in the hope of the glory and power to come through his teachings and his manner of life as the Son of man while on earth. How? Christ lived in obedience to God the Father on earth in anticipation of his glorification in heaven at the end, his resurrection from the dead, that was the hope that he held unto throughout his suffering on earth and which came to pass at the appointed time, thereby turning into our faith from thence forward.

Hebr 12:1-4 (Vr.1 Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, **Vr.2** Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy [*the hope*] that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Hebr 5:5-10 (Vr.7 Who in the days of his flesh, when he had offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears unto him that was able to save him from death, and was heard in that he feared; **Vr.8** Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered; **Vr.9** And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him;

Jn 3:14 And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: **Vr.15** That whosoever believeth in him [*till the very end*] should not perish, but have eternal life.

Jn 8:25-29 (Vr.28) Then said Jesus unto them, When ye have lifted up the Son of man, then shall ye know that I am he, and that I do nothing of myself;

Jn 12:27-34 (Vr.27) Now is my soul troubled; and what shall I say? Father, save me from this hour: but for this cause came I unto this hour. **Vr.28** Father, glorify thy name. Then came there a voice from heaven, saying, I have both glorified it, and will glorify it again. **Vr.32** And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me. **Vr.33** This he said, signifying what death he should die.

Jn 17:1-5 (Vr.1) These words spake Jesus, and lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son, that thy Son also may glorify thee: **Vr.2** As thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give eternal life to as many as thou hast given him. **Vr.4** I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do. **Vr.5** And now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self with the glory which I had with thee before the world was.

Mtt 16:21 From that time forth began Jesus to shew unto his disciples, how that he must go unto Jerusalem, and suffer many things of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised again the third day [*that was his hope*].

Jam 5:10 Take, my brethren, the prophets, who have spoken in the name of the Lord, for an example of suffering affliction, and of patience. **Vr.11** Behold, we count them happy which endure. Ye have heard of the patience of Job, and have seen the end of the Lord; that the Lord is very pitiful, and of tender mercy.

The hope that Christ held unto throughout his ministry on earth he entered from the day that he was raised up from the dead as the Son of God unto glory and power by the Father, without which that hope would have been in vain and so also it shall be with us that believe in his name.

Hebr 6:18-20; Hebr 12:1-4; I Pet 1:19-21

Mtt 28:16-18 (Vr.18) And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

Acts 2:30-36 (Vr.32) This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses. **Vr.33** Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear. **Vr.34** For David is not ascended into the heavens: but he saith himself, The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou on

my right hand, **Vr.35** Until I make thy foes thy footstool. **Vr.36** Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made that same Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ.

Jesus Christ finished the work of faith his Father sent him for on the cross before he could enter into his hope. And so we his disciples by the high calling of God are meant to fight the good fight of faith in order for us to enter into the hope of eternal life. **1 Tim 6:11-14; 2 Tim 4:6-8**

CHRIST GAVE US HOPE IN HIS DOCTRINE

Our Master and Lord did not leave us hopeless or comfortless rather not only did he give us his word, but also he gives us his Spirit to dwell in us forever as a guarantee and assurance of the veracity of the hope in us through our belief in his name on earth. This hope is an anchor to the soul of those that believe. Presently we are consoled in our afflictions and sufferings for righteousness sake in the hope of the promise of God for us in Christ Jesus by the Comforter, the Holy Ghost. **Hebr 6:18-19; Rom 8:18-23**

Jn 14:1-29 (Vr.1 Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. **Vr.2** In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. **Vr.3** And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also. **Vr.15** If ye love me, keep my commandments. **Vr.16** And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; **Vr.17** Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him [*nor have this hope*]: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. **Vr.18** I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you. **Vr.19** Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also. **Vr.26** But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you. **Vr.27** Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. **Vr.28** Ye have heard how I said unto you, I go away, and come again unto you. If ye loved me, ye would rejoice, because I said, I go unto the Father: for my Father is greater than I. **Vr.29** And now I have told you before it come to pass, that, when it is come to pass, ye might believe.

Jn 16:5-33 (Vr.5 But now I go my way to him that sent me; and none of you asketh me, Whither goest thou? **Vr.6** But because I have said these things unto you, sorrow hath filled your heart. **Vr.7** Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. **Vr.19** Now Jesus

knew that they were desirous to ask him, and said unto them, Do ye enquire among yourselves of that I said, A little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, a little while, and ye shall see me? **Vr.20** Verily, verily, I say unto you, That ye shall weep and lament, but the world shall rejoice: and ye shall be sorrowful, but your sorrow shall be turned into joy. **Vr.21** A woman when she is in travail hath sorrow [*with the hope to deliver safely*], because her hour is come: but as soon as she is delivered of the child, she remembereth no more the anguish, for joy that a man is born into the world. **Vr.22** And ye now therefore have sorrow: but I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you. **Vr.23** And in that day ye shall ask me nothing. Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, he will give it you. **Vr.24** Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full. **Vr.33** These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.

Jn 11:21-27 (Vr.25) Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: **Vr.26** And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?

Jn 8: 51 Verily, verily, I say unto you, If a man keep my saying, he shall never see death.

Rev 2:7 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God. **Vr.10** Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life. **Vr.11** He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death. **Vr.17** He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it. **Vr.25** But that which ye have already hold fast till I come. **Vr.26** And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations: **Vr.27** And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father. **Vr.28** And I will give him the morning star.

Christ gives us hope having promised us of eternal rewards at his appearing if we endure till the end. By the coming of Christ and his fulfilling of the scriptures written concerning him he established the basis of the faith upon which our hope today is based. **Mtt 5:10-12; Mtt 16:24-27; Lk 24:25-27,44-49**

WE ARE BORN UNTO A LIVELY HOPE

Every man born of a woman, of flesh and blood is born into sin and death having no (heavenly) hope and without God in this world. It is those that come to believe in God through Jesus Christ His Son that receives justification unto righteousness and the hope of eternal life through the new birth experience. This is actually what our being born again by faith presently in this world means, a birth unto a heavenly hope, an image of the true to come which shall be when we become children of the resurrection on that day. **Lk 20:35-36**

Our LORD God is a God of hope and consolation and therein we are born anew when we are said to be born again in this world. They that are born of God are born unto a lively hope guaranteed and powered by the Holy Ghost which we receive from Him by Christ Jesus.

Rom 15: 13 Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost. **Vr.5** Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be likeminded one toward another according to Christ Jesus:

2 Thess 2:13-17 (Vr.16 Now our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God, even our Father, which hath loved us, and hath given us everlasting consolation and good hope through grace, **Vr.17** Comfort your hearts, and stablish you in every good word and work.

1 Pet 1:3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

Rom 8:22 For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. **Vr.23** And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit [*that is how we are born again presently in hope*], even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body [*that is how we shall be born of the Spirit at the last day - Rom 8:11*]. **Vr.24** For we are saved by hope [*with the anticipation of resurrecting from the dead on the last day- Jn 6:39-40*]: but hope that is seen is not hope: for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for? **Vr.25** But if we hope for that we see not, then do we with patience wait for it.

We look forward in hope to putting off this vile, corruptible, mortal body of flesh and blood in order to put on a glorious, incorruptible and immortal body on the last day. Until we receive this glorious body (which is our hope) we shall continue to operate in this vile body (by faith presently) being the image children of God. In the glorious body we shall become the true children of God, inheriting the kingdom of God thereby; for flesh and blood shall not inherit the kingdom of God. Those that do not have this hope or the understanding thereof, like the CAO and their adherents, hustle with the children of this world to have pleasure, glory, fame and

honour in this present world rather than holding unto the hope of having such of God in the world to come – what an error of our times. **Lk 4:5-7; 2 Tim 2:3-4; Mtt 13:22**

1 Cor 15:35-58 (Vr.49 And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly. **Vr.50** Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; neither doth corruption inherit incorruption. **Vr.53** For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. **Vr.54** So when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written, Death is swallowed up in victory.

Phil 3:20 For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ: **Vr.21** Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.

2 Cor 5:1-7 (Vr.1 For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. **Vr.2** For in this we groan, earnestly desiring to be clothed upon with our house which is from heaven: **Vr.4** For we that are in this tabernacle do groan, being burdened: not for that we would be unclothed, but clothed upon, that mortality might be swallowed up of life. **Vr.5** Now he that hath wrought us for the selfsame thing is God, who also hath given unto us the earnest of the Spirit. **Vr.7** For we walk by faith [*in this hope presently*], not by sight:

As long as death (physical) hath power over our terrestrial body in this world we are but the image children of God. It is when we have gained victory over death by our resurrection unto life receiving a celestial body that we truly can be said to have entered into life eternal as true children of God. **Rom 6:7-11; Colo 2:11-13**

1 Jn 3:1-3 (Vr.2 Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is [*but for now as he walked on the earth being called the Son of God in his first advent and was seen by all men so ought we ought to walk also being called sons of God*]. **Vr.3** And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure [**2 Tim 2:19-22**].

Lk 20:34-36 (Vr.35 But they which shall be accounted worthy to obtain that world, and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry, nor are given in marriage: **Vr.36** Neither can they die any more: for they are equal unto the angels; and are the children of God, being the children of the resurrection.

It is the children of the first resurrection that are truly born of the Spirit having put off this earthly, mortal body subject to death and would have put on the spiritual immortal body being

not subject to the second death as it were. This is what it means to be born of the Spirit truly unlike as an image.

Jn 3:3-8 (Vr.5 Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit [*as an image here on earth*], he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. **Vr.6** That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. **Vr.7** Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again. **Vr.8** The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit [*truly*].

Jn 11:21-27 (Vr.25 Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: **Vr.26** And whosoever liveth [*How? by partaking of the first resurrection – Rev 20:4-6*] and believeth in me shall never die [*this is the true born again and our hope*]. Believest thou this?

OUR HOPE IS HEAVENLY AND NOT EARTHLY

As we had earlier opined our hope is spiritual, eternal and not temporal or earthly. Our hope in Christ is not primarily focused on the riches, carnal blessings and prosperity of this present, evil and corrupt world, but on the true riches of heaven and the world to come unlike what the CAO MOPs teaches and focuses men mainly on today (**Lk 16:8-15**). Therefore we set our sights and affections on things above not on things beneath. We set out consciously laying up our treasures, no longer on the earth like the children of the world do, but in heaven where we have set our heart and thoughts on, wherein lieth the hope which we profess. **Mtt 6:19-21**

Many have not this understanding in order to walk accordingly. Yes we have faith in God for the provision of our daily living on earth (**Mtt 4:4; Mtt 6:8,11,32**), but if in this life only we have hope in Christ by this then we are of all men most miserable. Why? Because earthly hope is meant to be fulfilled on this earth only and terminates therein at death with all its glamour, fame and riches. But praise be to God that our true hope in Christ transcends beyond this world into the world to come unto eternity. **I Cor 15:19**

True hope in Christ is predicated on our belief of being raised from the dead unto life at the last day in order to experience all the promises of God to us in the kingdom at the coming of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, which is our heavenly hope (**2 Cor 4:13-14; I Cor 15:19-23**). But the CAO MOPs turn this heavenly hope into an earthly hope by erroneously teaching hope as faith to be attained in the now, rather than hope as faith attainable in the age to come as it were. We shall look into this subtlety of the CAO in more details in the course of this literature.

Colo 1:4 Since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus, and of the love which ye have to all the saints, **Vr.5** For the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, whereof ye heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel; **Vr.27** To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory:

I Pet 1: 3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, **Vr.4** To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you,

Colo 3:1-7 (Vr.1 If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. **Vr.2** Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth. **Vr.3** For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God. **Vr.4** When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory.

Mtt 6:19 Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: **Vr.20** But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: **Vr.21** For where your treasure is, there will your [*hope*] heart be also.

Mtt 16:23-27 (Vr.23 But he turned, and said unto Peter, Get thee behind me, Satan: thou art an offence unto me: for thou savourest not the things that be of God [*heavenly, spiritual things*], but those that be of men [*earthly, carnal things*]. **Vr.24** Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me.

Mtt 19:16-29 (Vr.21 Jesus said unto him, If thou wilt be perfect, go and sell that thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come and follow me. **Vr.27** Then answered Peter and said unto him, Behold, we have forsaken all, and followed thee; what shall we have therefore? **Vr.28** And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That ye which have followed me, in the regeneration [*after our resurrection from the dead*] when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. **Vr.29** And every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my name's sake, shall receive an hundredfold, and shall inherit everlasting life [*the rewards that we hope for – Mtt 6:31-33*].

Lk 14:12-15 (Vr.12 Then said he also to him that bade him, When thou makest a dinner or a supper, call not thy friends, nor thy brethren, neither thy kinsmen, nor thy rich neighbours; lest they also bid thee again, and a recompence be made thee. **Vr.13** But when thou makest a feast, call the poor, the maimed, the lame, the blind: **Vr.14** And thou shalt be blessed; for they cannot recompense thee: for thou shalt be recompensed at the resurrection of the just.

It is those that are of this world, the children of this world that have and pursue an earthly hope solely, not the children of God, who are no longer of this world nor do they overtly mind or love the things of this world any longer as such. Such maintain an heavenly hope instead and do good without focusing primarily on worldly reward. Christ gives us an heavenly hope in his gospel, while Satan gives an earthly hope in his another gospel. **Mtt 6:24,31-33; Lk 12:13-21**

Lk 4:5-8 (Vr.5 And the devil, taking him up into an high mountain, shewed unto him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. **Vr.6** And the devil said unto him, All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will I give it. **Vr.7** If thou therefore wilt worship me, all shall be thine.

Mtt 16:26 For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul? **Vr.27** For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels; and then he shall reward every man according to his works.

I Cor 15: 19 If in this life only we have hope in Christ [*earthly hope*], we are of all men most miserable. **Vr.20** But now is Christ risen from the dead [*giving us a heavenly hope by it*], and become the firstfruits of them that slept. **Vr.23** But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at his coming [*our heavenly hope*].

Phil 3:7-14 (Vr.7 But what [*earthly*] things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ. **Vr.8** Yea doubtless, and I count all things [*his earthly hope and aspirations as an up and rising star amongst the Pharisee sect*] but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ [*receiving an heavenly hope instead*], **Vr.10** That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings [*presently*], being made conformable unto his death; **Vr.11** If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead [*our hope*]. **Vr.13** Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind [*his former earthly hopes and aspirations*], and reaching forth unto those things which are before [*of an heavenly hope and aspiration instead*], **Vr.14** I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus [*an heavenly destiny*].

We all start off in this life with earthly hope and aspirations, until you receive the heavenly call which comes by true belief, revelation, and understanding of the gospel of Christ wherein ye receive an heavenly hope and consolation by the Spirit in order to walk therein to the very end of your stay in this world. Unfortunately only a few ever discover/find this narrow gate to enter in and strait path to walk in as it were. Many Believers of the CAO do not want to die to the world in order to live for the kingdom even as they are taught that they can have both worlds. **Lk 13:23-24; Jn 12:24-26; Gal 5:24-26; Mtt 13:9-16; Jn 8:30-32; Lk 5:1-11; Jn 21:1-22; Phil 3:4-8; Jn 17:6,11,14-16**

Hebr 12:1-4 (Vr.1 Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight [*the cares of this world, the deceitfulness of riches*], and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the [*heavenly*] race that is set before us, **Vr.2** Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him [*an heavenly hope/glor*y] endured the cross, despising the shame [*of the earthly tribulations/sufferings*], and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

We are running a heavenly race not an earthly one. The CAO MOP preaches the another gospel that offers an earthly hope, glory, reward cum pleasure rather than the true gospel that offers an heavenly hope of glory, peace, prosperity, pleasure, reward, etc after we have submitted to going through an earthly suffering of persecutions, afflictions and trials for Christ and the gospel's sake. **Mtt 6:1-8; Mtt 16:26-27; Lk 6:20-26**

Those that have earthly hope are overtly minded of earthly things, things of this world rather than heavenly, kingdom things- like being careful to maintain good works through producing the fruit of the Spirit, given to increasing in the knowledge of God and spiritual understanding of the mysteries of Christ and the kingdom. Our hope is not based on things that pass away, temporal things, meat, drink, material things, but on everlasting things. Our hope is not anchored on things beneath but on things above. **Jn 18:33-37; Colo 3:1-2; Hebr 12:26-28; Rom 14:17**

An earthly hope is one that men have seen and have even attained unto before on earth, because there is nothing new under the heavens, while our heavenly hope is that which no man on earth hath seen nor have attained unto before while yet on the earth. It is only attainable as from the last day, the day of your resurrection from the dead unto life eternal. The former is of things that already exist and are available on the earth.

I Cor 2:9-14 (Vr.9 But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him. **Vr.10** But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit [*as an heavenly hope, in visions and revelations*]: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.

Our heavenly hope is spiritual, of things to come while earthly hope is natural, of carnal things, a shadow of things to come. A dogged pursuant of an earthly hope moves you away from that which is heavenly. You deceive yourself if you think that you can seek both in Christ and have them as a true disciple of Christ. Those that have an heavenly hope sown to the Spirit, while those that have an earthly hope sow to the flesh always and this the CAO does. Our hope is focused on the affairs of the soul and its wellbeing, not primarily on the flesh. Hope is found in the soul of those that have it. **Mtt 16:23; Colo 2:16-18; Hebr 10:1; Colo 1:20-24; Gal 6:6-10; Lk 5:18-25**

Jn 16: 13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

Hebr 6:19 Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and stedfast, and which entereth into that within the veil; **Vr.20** Whither the forerunner is for us entered, even Jesus, made an high priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.

Heb 9: 11 But Christ being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building;

Those that have an earthly hope seek always to enter into the rest, comfort and pleasures that this world have to offer after their labours therein, holding unto a Sabbath day rest as well, while those that have an heavenly hope look forward to entering into eternal rest and bliss with God in Christ and the labour therein also. **Hebr 4:1-14; Mtt 11:28-30; Jn 6:26-29; Lk 12:13-15; Lk 16:19-31; 2 Tim 3:1-7; I Tim 5:5-6; Jam 5:1-8**

You need to forsake seeking to enter an earthly hope, consciously and sacrificially in order to pursue being able to enter the heavenly hope at the end, even as Christ and his apostles taught and showed us as an example – you cannot eat your cake and have it, but the CAO MOPs preach otherwise in their “prosperity” gospel of having/holding unto both in serving Christ and men love to have it so to their confusion/delusion. A man with an heavenly hope is one who has forsaken the earthly hope wherein he laboured day and night, laying up for himself treasures and riches in the earth and trusted in them for his provisions previously, who now lives daily looking unto Jesus truly for his provisions, knowing not where it shall come but believing and trusting in the Lord for it daily. The young rich ruler wanted to follow Jesus while holding unto and depending on his riches for his provisions, but the Master offered him the true way for one that wants to be his true disciple and the rich ruler did not buy it rather he went away instead sorrowfully. Even as it is today, many believers do not want to forsake of their earthly goals in this world, due to the allure of money and the cares/pleasures therein, in order to pursue the kingdom business of the Master fully. They want to have the best of both worlds, but that is not possible even as the Master taught us but the CAO MOPs teach otherwise. **Hebr 11:23-27; Phil 3:7-14; Mtt 19:16-29; Mtt 6:24; Lk 14:33; Lk 5:4-11; Lk 12:16-21; Lk 15:11-32; Hebr 6:9-12,17-19; 2 Tim 4:10-11**

HEIRS OF AN HEAVENLY INHERITANCE

We, being born unto a lively hope are heirs of heavenly inheritance that had been promised us by God in Christ even as Christ entered into his own inheritance at his resurrection and glorification (**Hebr 1:2-4**). We, the saints, are to undergo our own trials on earth before possessing our eternal inheritance in the world to come as it were; for now it is but an assured promise and a hope in us by which we are consoled.

Rom 8:16 The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: **Vr.17** And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together. **Vr.22** For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. **Vr.23** And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body.

I Pet 2:19-25 (Vr.21 For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps:

Hebr 1:13-14 (Vr.14 Are they not all ministering spirits, sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?

So we have in us presently eternal life, eternal salvation, an everlasting kingdom, eternal inheritance, eternal glory, etc as a hope that is based on the infallible promises of God in Christ. Unfortunately, the CAO MOPs preach and paint a false picture and impression in their doctrines, teaching that we have actual possession of these eternal things currently and are meant to operate and manifest them in this present evil world, but this is not true. They declare that we have entered into the dominion, glory and power that Adam had lost in the Garden of Eden and are meant to be enforcing, subduing and dominating in the world today. This is of the another gospel and the propagation of a false hope in a feigned faith which causes many Believers to end up being frustrated, overthrowing their faith by reason of their experiencing the contrary continually and being at loss concerning the authenticity of their faith, whether they have at all. **Mtt 10:16-33; Phil 2:14-16**

What we have of these things by faith currently on earth is the assurance and guarantee of them by reason of the indwelling Holy Ghost that we receive from Christ at our new birth. By the workings of the power of the Holy Ghost in us we are able to have a taste or an experience of the reality of these eternal things to come even in this world being made manifest through the gifts of the Spirit by which the CAO unfortunately concludes that we have entered into them. The CAO seek and cling unto “the signs” of that which is hoped for; the “wonders”, “miracles” of now which shall pass away and erroneously declare them as the main eternal

things which shall not pass away. If we have these eternal things already then we have no need to hope for them again at the appearing of Christ our Lord. The CAO MOPs rob men of the hope of the glory, power, salvation, life to come by these doctrines of error and falsehood of having entered them now already. **Rom 8:24-25; Mtt 19:27-29**

Mtt 12: 28 But if I cast out devils by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God is come unto you.

Mk 16:15-20 (Vr.17 And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; **Vr.18** They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover. **Vr.20** And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following.

Hebr 6:4 For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, **Vr.5** And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come, **Vr.11** And we desire that every one of you do shew the same diligence to the full assurance of hope unto the end: **Vr.12** That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises. **Vr.17** Wherein God, willing more abundantly to shew unto the heirs of promise the immutability of his counsel, confirmed it by an oath: **Vr.18** That by two immutable things, in which it was impossible for God to lie, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us: **Vr.19** Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and stedfast, and which entereth into that within the veil; **Vr.20** Whither the forerunner is for us entered, even Jesus, made an high priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.

Tit 1: 1 Paul, a servant of God, and an apostle of Jesus Christ, according to the faith of God's elect, and the acknowledging of the truth which is after godliness; **Vr.2** In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began.

Tit 3:5 Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, [*How?*] by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost; **Vr.6** Which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour; **Vr.7** That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

I Thess 5:8 But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation. **Vr.9** For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation [*yet a hope*] by our Lord Jesus Christ,

Hebr 9: 11 But Christ being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building; **Vr.12** Neither by

the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us. **Vr.15** And for this cause he is the mediator of the new testament, that by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions that were under the first testament, they which are called might receive the promise of eternal inheritance. **Vr.27** And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment: **Vr.28** So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.

2 Tim 3: 14 But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them; **Vr.15** And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

Phil 2:12 Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling. **Vr.13** For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure.

Jam 2: 5 Hearken, my beloved brethren, Hath not God chosen the poor of this world rich in faith, and heirs of the kingdom which he hath promised to them that love him?

When are these things taught by Christ in the Beatitude meant to be fulfilled truly? For now you can hold tightly unto this hope by faith in Christ Jesus but shall enter into the eternal reality of them at the last day.

Mtt 5:1-12 (Vr.3 Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. **Vr.4** Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted. **Vr.5** Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth. **Vr.6** Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled. **Vr.7** Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy. **Vr.8** Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God. **Vr.9** Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God. **Vr.10** Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness sake [*in this present world*]: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. **Vr.11** Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. **Vr.12** Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

Lk 14: 12-14 (Vr.14 And thou shalt be blessed; for they cannot recompense thee: for thou shalt be recompensed at the resurrection of the just.

Mk 10:28 Then Peter began to say unto him, Lo, we have left all, and have followed thee. **Vr.29** And Jesus answered and said, Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or

brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my sake, and the gospel's, **Vr.30** But he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time [*the time of the regeneration?*- **Mtt 19:27-29**], houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands, with persecutions; and in the world to come eternal life.

Without receiving of the Spirit of life by faith in this world ye shall not receive the gift of eternal life on the last day which we have today as a hope and a promise from God in Christ nor enter into any of the other eternal things that constitute our inheritance as heirs of God. Our righteousness in Christ is being operated by faith currently in this world but we shall reign in true righteousness with Christ at his appearing. We hope to see face to face the God of hope even in heaven on that day that Christ shall show us Him. **Rom 9:27-33; Acts 17:30-31; Rev 19:10-11; Mtt 19:27-29; I Tim 6:14-16; Rev 22:1-5**

Gal 5:1-6 (Vr.5 For we through the Spirit wait for the hope of righteousness by faith

Mtt 6:30-34 (Vr.33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

I Jn 5:17-20 (Vr.19 And we know that we are of God, and the whole world lieth in wickedness.

HOPE IS NOT FAITH THAT IS SEEN

Faith that is seen is not hope even as hope that is unseen is not faith, but the CAO in their ambiguous doctrines and twisted understanding therein having made it out to be so, thereby keeping many ignorant and double tongued in expressing the meaning of hope and faith. As long as you imply or see faith as hope you would always be found in error while relating with them in the Christian race as it were.

The CAO MOPs have subtly turned hope to be faith. How? that which we ought to hope for and look forward to happening as promised by the Lord and prophesied to kick off or come into force as from the last day, are the very things that the CAO MOPs are erroneously teaching that you can claim and bring into force or reality and live them in the Now by faith in this present world. This is an erroneous understanding of faith that the CAO peddle in their another gospel like their having begun to “reign as kings and priests” already in this world (which is but still a hope for the saints presently) and experiencing “heaven on earth” now. If that heaven, which no man had ascended into before could be made to be enjoyed on earth then there is no need to be expecting to enter such heaven again since that which we ought to hope for in the future has been brought to bear in the present and we are said to be able to enjoy it here on earth by the feigned faith of the CAO doctrine (**Jn 3:12-13; Jn 14:1-3; Jn 17:24**). For example, if Nigeria

can be made to be like United Kingdom (UK) presently then Nigerians would no longer be eager, excited and having the earnest expectation to travel to UK any longer. They would become complacent and content with their country as it were and will not see the big deal to travel abroad at all.

The CAO preach that you can have heaven on earth in their “prosperity” gospel and because of that their adherents are not focused on seeking the kingdom of God and His righteousness, but rather on seeking the pleasures, enjoyments and seemingly “good temporal things” of the kingdoms of this world instead, transforming this world into a fantasy heaven as it were- what a fallacy and delusion. Such are blinded in the pursuit thereof – the cares of this world and the deceitfulness of riches. By this the CAO MOPs make men to be earthly/carnally minded continually rather than heavenly/spiritually minded as it were, relentlessly pursuing the very same things the Gentiles/children of the world pursue by all means lustfully- the unrighteous mammon, material possessions, worldly prosperity, covetousness and wishing continually for a better world which would never be; a world that is gradually waxing old, going from bad to worse, and passing away in wickedness in their very eyes and yet they are blinded to this reality having been deceived. This is not what Christ taught us nor the example that the Master and his Apostles left for us to follow and walk in but that of the enemies of the cross and Satan. **Lk 4:5-7; Mtt 6:30-33; Mtt 13:18-22; Lk 12:13-21,29-34,35-38; I Jn 2:15-17; Rom 14:17; 2 Tim 3:1-7,13**

Phil 3:17 Brethren, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an ensample. **Vr.18** (For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ: **Vr.19** Whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things.) **Vr.20** For our conversation is in heaven [where our hope lieth]; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ: **Vr.21** Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body [*this is our hope*], according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.

Colo 3:1-7 (Vr.1 If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. **Vr.2** Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.

2Cor 4:18 While we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen: for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal.

Hope is not faith. That which we hope for or hope to be or enter into in the age to come is not made to be in the present by “faith” as the CAO teaches today, but rather they shall come to pass at their divinely appointed season in the future, at the appearing of our Lord and Saviour. By making hope to be operable in the present as faith, the CAO teaches a lie and thereby

making God out to be a liar in the eyes of men (rather it is they themselves that are liars) when such hope or promises that they continually prophesy do not materialize in the present having been predetermined to happen as from the last day. Example they teach that it is not possible for one that is truly a Christian, “an overcomer” to be poor or even be sick in this world or be found in suffering, but this is not true; for as long as we are yet flesh and blood, having this vile body in this world it is possible whether you are a Believer or an unbeliever to experience these things in this life. Rather it is from the moment that we enter our hope on the last day, the life to come, that sickness, poverty, suffering, pain, death, etc shall cease eternally in the lives of the resurrected saints. For now we bear and deal with such things when they come upon us with prayers and patience in the hope of our translation on the resurrection day. **Mtt 25:31-46; I Cor 11:26-32; Jam 5:13-16; Rev 7:13-17; Rev 21:1-7; Mtt 8:14-17; Phil 2:25-30; I Tim 5:23; 2 Cor 12:5-10; Acts 17:24-31**

God the Father and His Son did not tell us that we would not have troubles in the flesh as Believers rather that such shall come but that He would be with us all the way and see us through them as we walk by faith unto being victorious as more than conquerors instead. **Rom 8:34-39; Hebr 13:5-6; Jn 16:1-4,33; Isa 43:1-5; I Jn 5:4-5**

The faith of many Believers is being made a shipwreck of by reason of these erroneous teachings of the CAO as it were. How? because they still pass through such sufferings/sorrows in the world contrary to all the continual prophetic declarations and deliverance programs that their CAO MOPs make over them and cause them to partake of, while telling them that they lack faith and are not exercising enough belief in the Word that they pronounce when they do not come to pass. By these they lack growth in the virtues of patience, longsuffering, charity, etc to bear that which God allows to come their way in order to mature them by experience in the faith and promote them thereafter. **2 Tim 3:8-17**

Yes God intervenes miraculously, answering our prayers in situations that He chooses, but that does not suddenly exclude us from the natural ordinances He had put in place by which the whole earth is governed by for now. We experience such natural occurrences just like death which all in this mortal body would one time or the other, but God delivers us continually from evil according to His mercies that never ceaseth. God made provision for healings, deliverances, grace and answers to our prayers, etc under these natural/carnal ordinances of the earth and gave us the another Comforter to be with us through it all. **Ps 30:5; Gen 8:20-22; Eccl 3:1-22; Job 14:1; Rom 8:18-26,28; Eccl 3:1-10; 2 Cor 4:7-18; Mtt 6:13; Jn 17:15; Prov 24:16; Isa 24:1,5-6; Jer 31:35-36; Mtt 15:21-31; Ps 107:17-22; I Pet 4:12-19; 2 Cor 12:7-10; Jn 14:15-19**

Mtt 5: 45 That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust [*the natural things of this world befall both believers and unbelievers without exception*].

Rom 8: 28 And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.

Jam 5:13-16 (Vr.13 Is any among you afflicted? let him pray. Is any merry? let him sing psalms. **Vr.14** Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: **Vr.15** And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him. **Vr.16** Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much.

The CAO do not hear nor understand the speech and words of Christ, misreading and misinterpreting his prophetic and spiritual sayings and doings in his doctrine, being carnally minded. And because of that they continually turn hope into faith, the sign into the reality as it were thereby handling the word of truth deceitfully. The sign is meant for you to believe in the hope and is not the hope itself. **Jn 11:20-27,39-45; Jn 2:18-22; Mtt 14:22-33; Jn 4:46-54**

All the promised inheritance that we have in Christ are yet but a hope today and cannot by faith be brought forward to become a reality or to come to pass in the present because it is a futuristic promise or prophecy. Prophecies have a divinely ordained time at which they are meant to be fulfilled and not before. It is at the end of our walk of faith in this world that we shall enter into the manifestation of our hope. Faith is in the now, having being made manifest by the first coming of the Lord, his death and resurrection, while hope is in the future to be made manifest at the second appearing of the Lord from heaven. We are meant to patiently wait for our Hope in the now, for it to come to pass at the appointed time in the future from the last day, the day of our resurrection from the dead. **1 Thess 5:8-11; 2 Thess 1:3-12; Rom 5:1-2**

Ecc1 3: 1 To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven: **Vr.14** I know that, whatsoever God doeth, it shall be for ever: nothing can be put to it, nor any thing taken from it: and God doeth it, that men should fear before him. **Vr.17** I said in mine heart, God shall judge the righteous and the wicked: for there is a time there for every purpose and for every work.

1 Pet 1: 9 Receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls [*which is our hope*].

2 Tim 4: 6 For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand. **Vr.7** I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: **Vr.8** Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing [*this is our hope*].

Mtt 24:3-14 (Vr.13 But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved. **Vr.14** And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.

Faith, that is the works of faith, are seen in the present, but hope is unseen presently but shall be seen at the last day; yet the CAO MOPs have made it out that you can see and have our eternal hope now by exercising our present faith in the now – this is a lie and an error that abounds in their teachings and practices of today. They seek for hope to be fulfilled now in their vain prophecies and promise their adherents such things that they do not get to enter into nor see thereby causing them to become miserable, disillusioned and frustrated in the faith having been made to understand hope as faith - this is quite unfortunate. May your faith not stand in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

Furthermore, hope can be viewed as faith that is yet to be seen, a futuristic faith. Any hope that is seen, having been fulfilled, manifested or entered into becomes faith to those that are found operating in them as it were. A fulfilled and manifested hope forms a basis for faith thereafter.

Gal 3: 22 But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe. **Vr.23** But before faith came [*the men of old had it as hope*], we were kept under the law, shut up unto the faith which should afterwards be revealed [*this is hope*]. **Vr.24** Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith. **Vr.25** But after that faith is come [*it is no longer a hope*], we are no longer under a schoolmaster.

CONCLUSION

We are meant to believe in hope till the end, walking by faith in the Spirit through grace. We are saved by hope and have been subjected in hope being kept by the power of God. As long as we walk by faith and not by sight we can never fail in hope as we grow in patience. Patience is an indispensable virtue required in our hope situation, without which you would stagger in unbelief and possibly truncate your faith along the way. Those that cannot exercise the virtue of patience shall fall by the wayside in this heavenly race. **Rom 4:16-20; Rom 5:1-5; Rom 8:20,24-25; Hebr 12:1-3**

Hebr 10:35 Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompence of reward. **Vr.36** For ye have need of patience, that, after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise.

True hope is for the just/righteous and not for sinners. The just shall live by faith which has hope embedded in it. Hope is kept alive in us by the indwelling Holy Spirit. Christ is the author and finisher of our faith, while the Holy Ghost that he sent to dwell in us is the sustainer of our hope. **Rom 1:17; Rom 15:13; Rom 5:5; Prov 11:7**

Prov 10: 28 The hope of the righteous shall be gladness: but the expectation of the wicked shall perish.

Prov 23: 17 Let not thine heart envy sinners: but be thou in the fear of the LORD all the day long. **Vr.18** For surely there is an end; and thine expectation shall not be cut off.

The language of hope is always identifiable with the word “shall” in Scriptures and in the gospel, also “may”, “might”; it is a language of promise. It talks about things to come and not things that have come to be already (**Jn 6:39-40; Rev 22:14; Jn 5:39-40; Jn 10:10; Jn 20:31**). The gospel of the kingdom is a gospel of consolation wherein is found hope for those that come to believe in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and obey the commandments of God through his doctrine. Such comfort themselves with such words as they edify one another as the Body of Christ (BOC) on the earth.

That which we hope for eternally in Christ shall surely come to pass at his appearing and not before. Our hope is based on our earnest expectation of these things to happen then. Our Hope is based on that which is to come and not that which is already or can be in this present world. **Phil 1:19-20; Rom 8:18-20; Eph 1:17-21**

Jam 5:7 Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain. **Vr.8** Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh

Lk 21:28 And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh. **Vr.29** And he spake to them a parable; Behold the fig tree, and all the trees; **Vr.30** When they now shoot forth, ye see and know of your own selves that summer is now nigh at hand. **Vr.31** So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand. **Vr.32** Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass away, till all be fulfilled. **Vr.33** Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away. **Vr.34** And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares. **Vr.35** For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth. **Vr.36** Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man.

Therefore, Brethren, be strong in faith, walk in the Spirit and stagger not at the promise of God through unbelief but believe in hope till the end unto entering the eternal inheritance at the last day. May the Lord God give you revelation and understanding of the hope of his calling upon your life as an elect of God in Jesus name. Amen.

Eph 1:16-21 (Vr.17 That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him: **Vr.18** The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints,

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